

ABSTRACT

The present invention has a recording head of jetting ink drops to record, a carriage adapted to be loaded an ink container storing ink to be fed to the recording head in a removable state, and a communication unit of communicating with a storage element for the ink container installed in the ink container. The communication unit can communicate with the storage element for the ink container when the ink container is not loaded on the carriage. Accordingly, the communication unit can communicate with the storage element for the ink container before mounting the ink container on the carriage.